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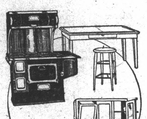

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Weekly Review of Trade and Market Reports.

BALTIMORE. — Wheat — Car lot sales included 5,000 bu. No. 2 garlicky spot, domestic, $1.03½; 5,000 bu. No. 2 garlicky spot, domestic, $1.09; car No. 2 garlicky spot, $1.04¾; car No. 2 garlicky spot, $1.05¾.

Corn—Track yellow corn, old, No. 2, for domestic delivery is quotable at $1.18 per bushel bid for car lots on spot.

Cob Corn—Prime old yellow cob corn in car lots is quotable at $5.35 per barrel on spot, with fine-hand offerings small and fair demand for choice cob.

Rye—No. 2 rye, export, spot, 78c; bag lots nearby rye, as to quality, 75@76.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, per ton, $27.50@28; No. 2 timothy, $25.50@27; No. 3 timothy, $22.50@25; No. 1 light clover mixed, $25.50@26; No. 2 light clover mixed, $24@25; No. 1 clover, $24@24.50.

Millfeed—City Mills winter bran, per ton, in 100-lb. sacks, $37; Patapsco Mills feed, per ton, in 100-lb. sacks, $37; white middlings, per ton, in 80-lb. cotton sacks, $45; same in 100-lb. jute sacks, $42.

Straw—No. 1 tangled rye, per ton, $15@16; No. 1 wheat, per ton, $13@14; No. 1 oat, per ton, $14@15.

Eggs—Firsts, loss off, per dozen, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia, 40c; Western, 38; Southern, 37; small lots higher.

Butter—Market about steady on the upper qualities of table butter; creamery, fancy, 49@49½c; do, choice, 47@48; do, good, 45@46; do, prints, 49@51; do, blocks, 43@50; do, nearby, 38@42.

Live Poultry—Chickens, old hens 4½ lbs. and over, per lb., 26c; do, medium, 3½ to 4 lbs., per lb., 23@24; smaller, per lb., 18@20; roosters, per lb., 15@16; springers, large, per lb., 24@28; do, small to medium, 22@23; leghorns, large, 22; small to medium, 20@21.

Ducks—Pekings, 4 lbs. and over, 24@26c; do puddle, 22@23; do, muscovy, 21@22; small and poor, 17@18.

Pigeons—Young, per pair, 20@25c; do, old, per pair, 20@25.

White Potatoes—New York, 150-lb. sacks, round whites, No. 1, $2.75@3; mostly $2.90@3 sack; New Jersey, 150-lb. sacks, Giants, No. 1, $2.50@2.60 sack; Wisconsin, 150-lb. sacks, round whites, No. 1, $2.60@2.75 sack; Long Island, 150-lb. sacks, round whites, No. 1, $2.75 sack.

Sweet Potatoes—Supplies moderate —Eastern Shore Virginia, barrels, pullows, No. 1, $2.25@2.50; few, $2.75; Eastern Shore Maryland, bushel hampers, yellows, No. 1, $2.75@2.85; barrels, yellows, No. 1, $2.75@2.85; 4-5 basket, 40@45c.

Flab—Bass, native, per lb., 20@25c; carp, large, per lb., 8@10; medium, per lb., 10@12; crocus, per brl., $12@15; large, $6@8; scals, per lb., 8@10; eels, per lb., 18@20; perch, white, large, per lb., 18@20; white, medium, per lb., 8@9; yellow, large, per lb., 18@20; yellow, medium, per lb., 8@9; gray trout, as to size, per brl., $10@15; do, per box, 25@3; catfish, white, per lb., 8@9c; black, per lb., 4@6; eels, large, per lb., 12@15; small to medium, per lb., 5@8; pike, native, per lb., 20@25; mackerel, native, per lb., 25@30.

Clams—Large, per 100, $1.10@1.25; small to medium, per 100, 90c@$1.

Snappers, per lb., 5@5c.

Oysters, per brl., raw box, $4.50@5; primes, $3.50@4; culls, $2.50@3.

New York—Wheat—Spot, easy; No. 2 Northern spring, c. i. f. track New York, domestic, $1.39½; No. 2 red winter, do, $1.34½; No. 2 hard winter, c. i. f. track New York export, $1.33½; No. 1 Manitoba, do, $1.14¾; No. 2 mixed durum, do, $1.09¾.

Corn—Spot, easy; No. 2 yellow and No. 2 white, $1.31; No. 3 mixed, $1.30; c. i. f. New York rail.

Oats—Spot, easy; No. 2 white, 55½@56c.

Butter—Creamery, higher than extras, 45½@46c; creamery, extras (92 score), 48; do, firsts (88 to 91 score), 44@47½; packing stock, current make, No. 2, 31.

PHILADELPHIA.—Wheat—Lower; No. 2 red winter, $1.07½@1.08½; No. 4 garlicky, 97¼@98½c.

Corn—Firm; car lots for local trade, No. 2 yellow, $1.29@1.31; No. 3 yellow, $1.28@1.30.

Oats—Quiet; No. 2 white, 52½@53c; No. 3 white, 49½@50½c.

Butter—Higher; solid packed creamery, fancy, high scoring, 50@52; extra firsts, 47½; firsts, 44@46.

Cheese—Quiet; New York, whole milk, flats, fresh, 27@28½c; single daisies, 28½@27½.

LIVE STOCK

BALTIMORE. — Cattle — Steers, choice, $8.75@9.50; good butcher, $8@8.50; medium, $6@7.35; common, $4@6; $6.75; heifers, choice, $8.75@7.35; fair to good, $6@6.75; common to medium, $4@5.35; bulls, choice, $5.35@5.75; fair to good, $4.35@4.75; common to medium, $3.35@3.75.

Hogs—Lights, $8.85; heavy, $8.75; medium, $8.75; pigs, $8; roughs, $6@7.50.

Calves—Calves, $5@13.

West Virginia Leads in Cedar. West Virginia feeds all the stages in the production of chestnut and red cedar.

Serbian Women Little Esteemed. Among the lower and middle classes in Serbia women are always helped last and may not sit down unbidden in the presence of the men.

RED CROSS PLANS FOR COMING YEAR

Over $2,000,000 in Fund for War Sufferers—National Budget Is $5,543,077.

AID TO VETERANS STANDS FIRST

Expended $9,738,448 in Services to Mankind Last Year at Home and Abroad.

Washington.—With a budget of $5,543,077.81 for carrying out the program of service during the current fiscal year, beginning July 1, the American Red Cross announces that this amount was $4,195,370.41 less than was expended during the fiscal year ended last June 30. During that year expenditures reached a total of $9,738,448.22, of which amount $7,056,526.09 was devoted to relief of refugees in Greece who had been driven out of Asia Minor. In announcing the budget for the year, the statement from National Headquarters emphasized the fact that its extensive work at home and abroad depends almost wholly upon the nation-wide support of the organization through enrollment of membership in large numbers during the annual roll call, which will be in progress from November 11 to November 29 under the auspices of the 3,600 Chapters in the United States and throughout the world. These Chapters, it is pointed out, during the last fiscal year expended of their own funds approximately $3,900,000 in behalf of the men who wore the cloth of our country during the World War, so that the estimate of some $15,000,000 expended during twelve months by the American Red Cross as a whole is considered conservative.

Soldier Service Stands First

From July 1, 1917, to June 30, 1923, the American Red Cross acted nationally and through its Chapters close to $164,000,000 in behalf of American soldiers who served in the war and their families. During last year the figure alone mounted to more than $5,564,265, and for the current fiscal year National Headquarters has set aside under the heading, "Assistance to Disabled ex-Service Men and Women," $2,065,884.20. The Chapters will continue to do their part, so that it may be predicted with confidence that again more than $5,500,000 will be disbursed in the large variety of services to the disabled men and women and their families—services for which the Government cannot provide and which reach the individual case with sympathy and understanding only so that contact can insure. This work of the American Red Cross approaches the fifth anniversary of the Armistice, which ended the World War with only slight decrease in falls for service in the interest of the welfare and rehabilitation of those who suffered physical disability in the service of their country.

In the interest of the enlisted men serving in the Army and the Navy the budget provides $350,000 for the current year. This is obligatory under the Red Cross charter, for the organization must act in matters of voluntary relief and as a medium of communication between the people and their Army and Navy.

Domestic Program Extensive

The domestic operations of the American Red Cross comprise an accurate indicator of the continuing calls for assistance by all the established and authorized services. The budget aggregates $4,838,445.70, as against expenditures during the last year of $4,452,046.20. The abnormal demands in the foreign field in the last several years, however, have largely subsided, and in consequence the budget for foreign operations, for this amount $894,303.81 is set aside for engagements which will close the work for the refugees in Greece, for whose amelioration $2,606,694.69 was expended up to June 30, when the American Red Cross withdrew, and the work was taken over under the control of the Greek government. For liquidation and completion of general relief in Europe the budget provides $100,000, and for American Junior Red Cross projects, foreign and insular, and assistance to Chapters listed under foreign operations.

Ready for Emergency Calls

The readiness of the American Red Cross to answer immediately with effective service in cases of emergency is an outstanding feature of its program that is universally recognized. During last year $525,000 was spent for relief in 110 disasters, which was $307,500 in excess of budget provision. This year $400,000 has been appropriated for this service. Since 1881 the Red Cross has administered more than $20,000,000 in relief work following disasters.

Other budget items in the schedule for domestic operations include $1,283,834.30 for service and assistance to the 3,600 Chapters and their Branches; $10,000 for assistance to other organizations, particularly stressing child health activities; $194,600 for Junior Red Cross projects and service; $10,334.20 for assistance to Nurses' Training Schools, and for other activities $111,456.50. For supervision of service activities and general management of the entire American Red Cross less than $215,000 is allotted.

An Odd Fish.

Washington doctors are puzzled over a man who can't sleep because he is single and out of debt.—Bending Times.

A Sad Life.

The person who lives the saddest life of all is the person who is sure a thing must be worthless if other people go for it.—Detroit Free Press.

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Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 4

WORLD-WIDE PROHIBITION—WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY.

LESSON TEXT—Pr. 10:1-5; Prov. 13:20-15.

GOLDEN TEXT—"I will set no wicked thing before my eyes."—Ps. 101:3.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Taking Care of Our Bodies.

JUNIOR TOPIC—The Effects of Alcohol.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Progress of Prohibition at Home and Abroad.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Eighth Amendment.

I. Principles of a Righteous Life (Ps. 101:1-5).

This is a psalm of David the king, and therefore shows the conduct of a ruler. It is divided into two sections—the first, verses 1-4, refers to personal conduct, and the second, 5-8, to the government of others. This part of the lesson can only refer to the destruction of the adversary in a sense that all evil is to be uprooted and destroyed.

1. Personal Conduct (vv. 1-4). (1) Kindness and judgment (v. 1); (2) wise behavior (v. 2); (3) All malice put away (v. 3); all wickedness put aside (v. 4).

2. Government of Others (vv. 5-8). Only as one is right in his own heart and life is he fit to rule others. As a righteous man he will be against (1) the slanderer (v. 5). He will not tolerate such in his presence. (2) The worker of deceit (v. 7). The deceitful man and the liar are to be removed from his sight. (3) All workers of iniquity (v. 8). It is the duty of rulers to see that all workers of wickedness of all kinds be cut off. The manufacturer and seller of liquor should be regarded as notorious workers of iniquity. Those who blight manhood for sordid gain are greatly wicked.

II. The Awful Rule Wrought by Strong Drink (Prov. 23:29-35).

1. Woes of Those Who Indulge in Wine (vv. 2, 30). (1) The awful pain which causes one to cry out, "Oh!" Many, indeed, are the pains which men suffer because of strong drink. Bodily ills innumerable can be traced to its evil influence. (2) The bitter remorse, which causes one to cry out, "Alas!" Many are the expressions of bitter regret which daily come from the lips of the drunkard. (3) Contention—strife and quarreling. Much of the fighting among men is directly caused by their passions being inflamed by strong drink. The drunken man is always ready to take offense, as well as to give it. (4) Sadnings and complainings. The winebibber complains of everything—ill luck, loss of friends, of fate and of God. He sees everything wrong but himself. (5) Wounds without cause. These are wounds from fights in which a sober man would not have engaged, and from accidents which are purely the result of intoxication. (6) Redness of eyes. This has reference to the blood-shot eye of the tippler which dims his vision. All these woes come upon those who tarry long at wine.

II. The Drunkard's Bitter End (vv. 32-35).

1. Acute Miseries. "It bitteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." Strong drink, like the poison of a serpent, permeates the whole system and ends in the most fatal consequences.

2. Perversion of the Moral Sense. This excitement causes the eyes to behold strange things. This denotes the fantastic images produced on the brain of the drunkard. Even when delirium tremens does not result, there are awful fancies which are beyond the possibility of realization. Then does his heart utter perverse things. His moral sense being perverted, his utterances partake of the same. He tells lies; his words cannot be relied upon.

3. He Is Insensible to Danger (v. 34). He is foolhardy, even as one who would lie in the top of a ship's mast, where there is the greatest danger of falling off.

4. He Is Insensible to Pain (v. 35). The drunkard is utterly ignorant of what happens to him while under the influence of strong drink. Many bruises and wounds the drunkard has which he cannot account for.

5. His Abject Bondage (v. 35). After all his sufferings, sorrow and disappointments, he goes on as a bond slave in the ways of sin.

6. Hell at Last. No drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of heaven (I Cor. 6:10).

Whole Sum of Human Life.

Of the whole sum of human life no small part but which consists of a man's relations to his country, and his feelings concerning it.—Gladstone.

Prospects.

If you will show me the style of a man's amusements and recreations, I will tell you what sort of a man he is.—Dr. Witt Talmage.

Largest Slave-Holder.

Mammon is the largest slave-holder in the world.—T. Sagaders.

Cannot Gauge Velocity.

The wind velocity within a tornado, so far as known, has never been accurately measured, and it is quite certain that no wind gauge could withstand the force of the wind as the velocity sometimes reaches 200 or 300 miles an hour.

Thought for the Day.

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FOREST VIEW

The cold November days have come at last. Corn shockings are the order of the day now. Chickens and hams don't stand any show. This is the time of year the farmers of all people should be thankful. The Lord has prospered them with full barns of everything.

Mrs. T. H. Ford has returned from Lynchburg and reports her daughter better.

No doubt many of the readers of this paper can recall several years back, when G. W. Woolridge and family lived in Appomattox, where he was born and reared. He fell from the sixth floor of a building in Bedford city, where he now lives, a few days ago, and came near being killed. He was on his night rounds, and thought he was stepping on the closed elevator door, but instead the door never closed after the elevator passed and it being in the night with no light he stepped right into vacancy. He crawled to a phone and called a doctor who when he reached him thought his ribs were stuck in his lungs. A message was sent to his sister, Mrs. J. E. Martin, of Roanoke, and also one to his daughter who is teaching at Foretc, and his brother, A. S. Wooldridge that he had several ribs broken and he will be confined for several weeks. We are thankful it is no worse and hope a speedy recovery.

Mr and Mrs Floyd Trent and children who have been living on Mulberry Creek have moved back to her home near Wesley Chapel.

Mrs. Walter Jordan Jr., is spending a few days in Lynchburg with her sister, Mrs. Lawrence Laughlin.

Messlamer. W. T. Nash and Bertha Powell were among those who spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Jones last week.

Mrs. R. W. Martin returned last week from Yorktown, where she visited her son L. D. Martin, she reports a good time and while there she visited Jamestown, Williamsburg and other places of interest.

Otey Jones is smiling—It's a girl.

Allen Nash is smiling—It's a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Martin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Wooldridge.

ROCKS NEWS

Saturday night Nov. 3rd, the girls and boys of Rocks gathered at the home of Miss Pearl Ransom and spent a very enjoyable evening.

Aubrey Ranson of Lynchburg, Lewis Meadows of Roanoke, and several others have been visiting this community.

B. T. Carter and family left for Marfrancis, W. Va., Monday where they will make their home. John Nathan's family are ill with whooping cough.

A number of old and young people gathered at the home of Mrs. D. R. Ingle Sunday where anging was enjoyed

Beg pardon, but you made a mistake last week as you printed "J. H Ranson has purchased a Ford instead of G. H. Ranson".

VERA

Dr. Christian is entertaining hunters from Richmond.

"Alf" Nuttecombe is spending a few days with his home people.

Born on November 6th to Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Foster a daughter mother and babe both doing well.

Dr. H. B. Foster of Littletown, N. C., visited his wife and daughter last week.

R. A. Steffans moved his household goods here, from Norfolk, last week. He expects to locate here and build a home soon. We welcome him and his family.

There is a great deal of sickness in our midst. We were shocked and grieved to hear of the death of Sterling, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. George Abbitt, who died on his way to a Lynchburg hospital. Mrs. Abbitt, who has been very ill, and is still ill, has not been appraised of the little one's death. The stricken family had the misfortune to lose two cows in one day, also a horse; and the death of this child all in a week. The heartfelt sympathy of the community goes out to them in their great trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lucado have also been stricken by the "Grim Reaper" who has mowed down one of their little ones. We can only commend them to the "Great Physician" who "doeth all things well", and help them to realize from the signs of the times "that their redemption draweth nigh".

"On the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken Luke 21:25, 26.

Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Christian have several very sick children. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Thornhill also have two children who are ill.

Iris, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Reynolds is sick.

Lucy, the little daughter of S. T. Megginson is ill.

Church Members of To-day

When these words are used our thoughts would be (or should be) of Godly people. We see so-called people here who are walks of most every life. 1st we find some of the best people in the world. 2nd some that put themselves above God and His son Jesus Christ. You may say how can this be? It is very plain if you will take notice we go to church any church we please, but it is not that must be spoken to first or at all. (Not so with God) there never has been a sinner rich or poor, that ever lived on God's green earth that God did not speak to somethine during his life about his soul. 3rd you will find some it at are so self important they think there is no one can hold an office in church but those that have been there years, and never give the new born babes in church much spiritual nourishment that they may be able to grow in grace and be able to take part in their church and feel at liberty to do what Gods comands should be to them, here is a critical situation if the church does not give them work Satan will, he has the world full of workers giving them jobs and that is why we have so many back sliders today. You know that it has been said that there is work in the church for each member yea, that's true, but some have to be helped in finding this work while others find it themselves and that's the difference in people, we are all made different in body thoughts, deed and talents. For illustration take the growth of plants, whatever the plant may be if you have ever had any experience in cultivating them, it takes more work and attention for some than others. Then there are some that are more beautiful than others, there are many considerations here. Will leave that for you readers to do. 4th you find some that are trying to serve God with thine own will instead of the will of God the maker and owner of this old world and the fullness thereof. Things are ill well with them when they are moving their way, but when there is a denial of self denial or something happens a little different to their plans or expectations they throw up their hands even sometimes go so far as to not speak to some of their own members. May God help us here to overcome this evil in constant prayer. 5th we find some of the most energetic people of our lands ready and full of service for others God bless them they are just what God is looking for. Somebody just trying to live such clean weet lives that people can just see Jesus in them and feel that they want to become a church member like that, may God add his blessings to these words and to all that read them, Amen. X.

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LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 18

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST A MISSIONARY

LESSON TEXT—Matt. 9:35-38; Luke 9:1-5; John. 4:34-41.

GOLDEN TEXT—"God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."—John 3:16.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus Preaching to the City and Country.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Jesus a Missionary.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—The Missionary Activity of Jesus.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Christ's Missionary Zeal.

I. The Missionary Motive (Matt. 9:35-38.

As Jesus saw the multitude His compassion was aroused. Their spiritual condition moved Him to take steps to provide missionaries. The result of this was the sending forth of the Twelve. Jesus saw the multitude as:

1. Sheep Without a Shepherd (v. 36). The people were in need of a protector, provider and guide, just as sheep are of a shepherd. They were faint and scattered—distressed, cast down and hopeless. What a picture of the needy world today! The world is hungry but knows not how to have the hunger satisfied. They know not which way to turn in their confusion and perplexity. They are in need of that which alone the Good Shepherd can supply.

2. Grain Ready for Harvest (v. 37). He told the disciples that the grain was ripe, ready for the harvest, and that unless laborers were secured the harvest would be lost. This is still a picture of the world. The laborers are still few. It is the Lord's harvest that is ready to be gathered. No wonder He was moved with compassion! Those who have eyes to see and hearts to feel are still moved with compassion as they see the world ready to be gathered into Christ's fold but no one to perform the labor. The means for securing laborers for the harvest is prayer. He urged the disciples to pray that the Lord would send forth laborers.

II. Classes of Missionaries (Luke 9:1-5).

Three classes are here enumerated:

1. Jesus Himself (v. 1). He is the grand and supreme missionary. All receive their example and power from Him. He left all and gave all in this great enterprise.

2. The Twelve (v. 1). Christ called them and sent them forth. They were His representatives and were clothed with His power. Missionaries should be chosen and commissioned by the Lord himself. In the evangelization of the world there will always be need of the group of men and women devoted exclusively to that work.

3. Certain Women (vv. 2, 3). Christian women can most effectively do their part in preaching the gospel by ministering to the workers. All who have experienced the saving grace of God desire to have a part in sending the gospel to others that they too might be saved. The church is greatly indebted to the work of consecrated women.

III. The Missionary Message (John 3:16, 17).

The salvation which is offered to the lost world was accomplished through the sacrificial death of Christ. Out of a heart of love God gave His own son to die. The figure portraying the method of the Cross and salvation is that of the brazen serpent. The outstanding teaching as suggested by Dr. Charles R. Erdman is as follows:

"1. That men are, like the Israelites of old, serpent-bitten; but the deadly poison is the sting of sin.

"2. God has provided a remedy in the person of His Son; in His crucifixion we see sin vanquished, as the uplifted serpent plotted the death of the destroyer; yet as the uplifted serpent was not real but one of brass, so Christ was not really a partaker of sin but only made in the likeness of sinful flesh.

"3. As it was necessary for the dying Israelites to accept God's provision, and with submission and faith to look upon the brazen serpent, so it is necessary for us to look in repentance and faith to the crucified Savior and to commit ourselves to God as He is graciously revealed in Jesus Christ. If we refuse to accept Christ we perish, but faith results in eternal life.

"4. This provision is made by the love of God and is freely offered to everyone who believes. 'For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'"

His Presence.

When we have broken our god of tradition, and ceased from our god of rhetoric, then may God fire the heart with His presence.—Emerson.

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